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SUBJECT: UNFICYP REDUCTIONS

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1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED US INTEREST IN FURTHER UNFICYP REDUCTIONS AFTER PHASE II WITH EXTAFB PEACEKEEPING OFFICIALS GREEN AND RANGER. THEY BELIEVED GOC WOULD BE PREPARED EVENTUALLY TO PRESS FOR PHASE III REDUCTIONS AND POSSIBLY ONVERSION TO OBSERVER FORCE, BUT THOUGHT GOC MIGHT FIND IT PREMATURE TO CONSIDER REDUCTIONS NOW.

2. OFFICIALS NOTED THAT CANADIAN PHASE II REDUCTIONS WOULD BE MADE IN APRIL ROTATION. THEY POINTED OUT THAT FINANCIAL PROBLEMS HAD BEEN OF LOW PRIORITY IN GOC CONSIDERATION OF REDUCTIONS. PRIMARY THRUST WAS POLITICAL, TO INDICATE TO PARTIES THAT UNFICYP WAS NOT AN OPEN-ENDED COMMITMENT AND HOPEFULLY TO ACT AS
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A SPUR TO SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS. OFFICIALS THOUGHT GOC

WOULD WISH TIME TO EVALUATE EFFECTIVENESS OF
REDUCED FORCE AND EFFECT OF REDUCTIONS ON PARTIES.

3. WHILE THIS REACTION TENTATIVE AND PRELIMINARY,
EMBASSY DOUBTS GOC WOULD BE ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT
PHASE III REDUCTIONS PRIOR TO DECEMBER 1974 SC
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